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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
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ANNUAL MEETING

Monday, May 14, 1979

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

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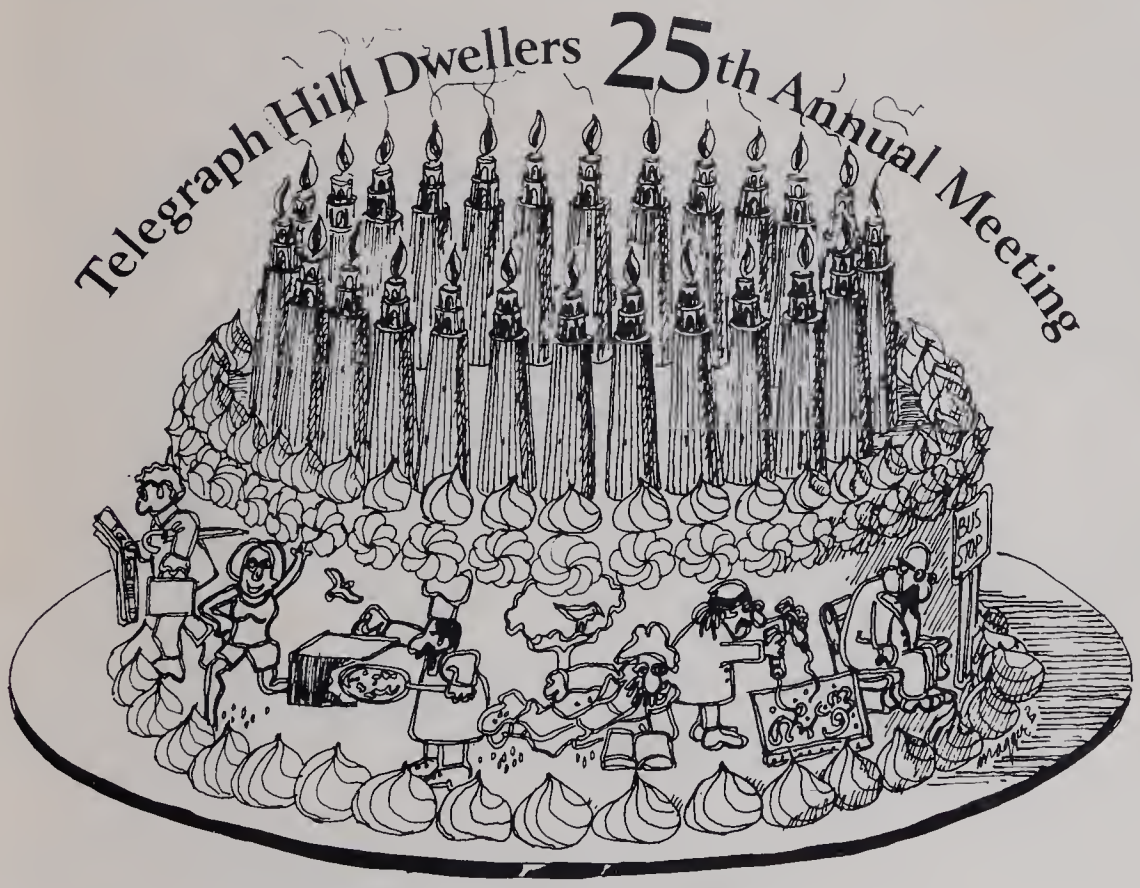
Publication of the Telegraph Hill Dwellers



ANNUAL ELECTION DINNER

MONDAY, MAY 14 El Tapatio 475 Francisco; 6–7 pm no host, Dinner starts at 7; $7 including tax & tip.
Reservations: Jean Bullock, 956-0702 between May 7–11 or card to 153 Pfeiffer NOW!

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Your Nominating Committee (consisting of John Holmes - Chairman, Toby Bloxam, Roger Boyer, Liz Brotherton and Bob Katz) presents the following slate of Officers and Directors:

OFFICERS:

President	David Dibble	28 Alta St	397-4659
Vice-President	Nancy Katz	2 Whiting St	986-1890
Recording Secretary	Becky White	177 Pfeiffer St #11	981-7749
Treasurer	~~Nan Roth~~ Bob Bullock	2017 Grant Ave	397-2176
Financial Secretary	Virginia Sletteland	1227 Montgomery St	981-7128
Corresponding Secretary	Jo Etta Agee	288 Union St #2	981-2521
Historian	Liz Brotherton	116 Alta St	986-6062
Editor of the Semaphore	Margaret Gwathmey	273 Green St	982-4221

DIRECTORS: (new) for two fiscal years

Jim Augustino	~~Robert Bullock~~	426 Vallejo ~~81 Genoa Place~~	956-1889 ~~391-3645~~
	John Gorgone	1090 Montgomery St #304	781-3672
	*Herb Kosovitz	340 Chestnut St	398-0757
	~~Alex Wong~~	~~47 Telegraph Place~~	~~397-9848~~

DIRECTORS: remaining on the Board for one fiscal year

Stanley Burton, MD	1409 Montgomery St	421-1441
Joan Naughten	304 Chestnut St	392-0314
Bill Varcoe	19 Child St	398-4078
Ron Vehlow	368 Lombard St	398-3916

DIRECTOR EX-OFFICIO: Immediate Past President

Anne Halsted	1308 Montgomery St	398-5077

*Incumbent

Note: Bill Varcoe and Ron Vehlow are nominated to fill the unexpired terms of Liz Brotherton and Margaret Gwathmey who have been nominated as officers.

in memoriam

Kevin Wallace

The THD lost a gifted member when Kevin Wallace, the witty Chronicle reporter, died unexpectedly last January in Monterey. A resident of Upper Alta since the early 1970's, Kevin found amusing things to write about all around the Hill, not the least of which was the time capsule in the base of Ben Franklin's statue in Washington Square.

His story in the Chronicle on this phenomenon started, "In the heart of San Francisco's North Beach, which isn't a beach, is Washington Square, which isn't a square and doesn't feature Washington, but instead a statue of Ben Franklin."

Kevin had looked forward to covering the opening of the time capsule planted by the eccentric Prohibitionist, Henry David Cogswell, but, alas, it was not meant to be.

Kevin reported for both the Chronicle and the Examiner during a career that also covered a stint on the New Yorker magazine. More than a writer, he was a cartoonist, artist and sculptor.

The Chronicle paid him a rare tribute in an editorial: "Kevin's gentle wit and unerring perception have graced and enriched this newspaper during a career that began here before World War II... Kevin Wallace's talent, as well as his warm personality, will be sorely missed. He was a scrupulous, yet thoroughly delightful and whimsical reporter...he was a rare man and we may not soon see his like again."

Kevin, who was 60, left a grown son and daughter and a legion of friends and admirers.

Frances Moffat

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Anniversary of
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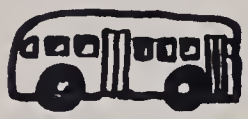

TELEGRAPH HILL DWELLERS
ANNUAL ELECTION GENERAL
MEETING

Join us for an evening of fun, feast and the pleasure of electing those who will serve THD next year.

Monday, May 14

El Tapatio, 475 Francisco Street

6:00 no host cocktails

7:00 dinner

Reservations must be made in advance.

Call Jean Bullock between May 7 and May 11 at 956-0702 or send her a postcard at 153 Pfeiffer.

Dinner, tax and tip is $7.00.

Simmons' Waterfront Storage Building Rejected by BCDC

The often debated storage building for Pier 39 on the waterfront surfaced again before BCDC on February 15. Staff recommended denial since the project is not consistent with the McAteer-Petris Act and upland locations are available. The commission then voted to deny the applications 14 to 2.

Northeast Waterfront Survey Nearing Completion

The Citizens Advisory Committee recently held its last session before formulation of the official "Overall Action Program". A set of conclusions were approved. These conclusions will be resubmitted to the committee in final form in June.

At its meeting of April 4th the committee passed a resolution requesting that it be retained as the nucleus for citizen input and advice throughout the action and implementation phases of the Northeast Waterfront development program. This had been promised by the Redevelopment Agency some years ago when citizen support was first requested.

President's Letter

The past two years as president of THD have been an education for me. The friends I've made and knowledge I've gained are invaluable to me.

My wishes for the organization are many - I hope THD can continue to work with other neighborhoods on problems of common concern (this is even more necessary with district election of supervisors); that we will continue to cultivate new members and new ideas so that we don't become bound by our own traditions; that we can spend more meeting time informing, discussing, educating; and that we can continue to develop THD as a positive, constructive representative of long-term and short-term concerns of residents of this area.

I've enjoyed and benefited from the opportunity to be president. I thank you for your trust in me and have every confidence your new president, with your support, will lead the residents of Telegraph Hill well.

Anne W. Halsted

WHEN IS A PARK NOT A PARK?

(Answer: When It Is A Parking Lot)

When the Pier 39 project was approved by the City, the free creation of a beautiful park was cited as one of the prime reasons for its approval. A performance bond was required to make sure that the park would indeed be constructed Pier 39 has been in operation for half a year now, but the waterfront between Piers 39 and 35 continues to be used as an unsightly parking lot. What about this, City Planning?

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT
(per bylaws, Article V, Section 5)

Actions taken by the THD Board of Directors and general membership since January 1979:

1/3/79 directors

MOTION that the THD support nonconforming Mom and Pop grocery stores that serve the neighborhood, and direct President to take action to inform owner of building where Mike's Grocery was of our stand PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION that THD support the points in Anne Halsted's letter re Levi Plaza to Walter Haas, Jr. on December 29, 1979, as a basis for presentation to Planning Commission hearing on 1/4/79. PASSED UNAN.

MOTION that in additon the following be included as part of the points THD wishes to be included on the list of concerns:

1. adequate non-illuminated roof top landscaping be included on condos and office building

2. parking garage entrance on Greenwich be open at night for use by residents

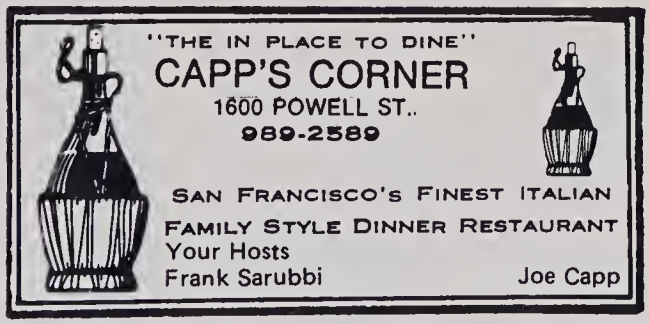
of Telegraph Hill

3. developer pay full financial costs of needed transit by formation of a special assessment district

4. that THD also resolve that we support all other measures necessary to carry out spirit of Anne Halsted's letter to Walter Haas, Jr. and the concerns on the Planning Department list
PASSED.

MOTION that THD oppose any additional parking garages due to the existing congestion on the streets, and direct President Anne Halsted to so convey our resolution to the Parking Authority. PASSED.

MOTION that THD authorizes Anne Halsted to request of the Planning Commission discretionary review of the Levi Plaza project.
PASSED.



FEBRUARY 6, 1979, DIRECTORS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: President Anne Halsted appointed two members of this committee: Liz Brotherton and Roger Boyer. Directors then voted to elect: Toby Bloxam, John Holmes, Bob Katz.

MOTION that THD direct President Anne Halsted to request time for presentation to Planninc Commission on need for a moratorium on future waterfront projects, and further direct her to find a volunteer from THD to prepare such a presentation PASSED.

MOTION that THD feel that commercial wireless transmissions such as those proposed by KPIX are clearly required by the code to have a conditional use permit and public hearings and we, hereby request that the Board of Permit Appeals deny the KPIX appeal and require such hearing and conditional use permit. PASSED.

MOTION that THD favor the use of the Francisco/ Vandewater area for residential rather than commercial development, and we also hope that efforts will be made to minimize

curb cuts with the hope of minimizing loss of on street parking and to preserve visual effects. PASSED.

MOTION that THD support Nob Hill Neighbors in principle in their request for lower height limits in their area. PASSED.

MOTION that THD support Nob Hill Neighbors in their request for a 90 day moratorium on conversions with the intent that legislation be prepared during that time. PASSED.

MOTION that THD oppose variances from code such as proposed for 1310-12 Mtgy. and feel established legal procedures should be followed in all these cases and direct Vice President Roger Boyer to write to inform appropriate officials of our stand. PASSED

MOTION that THD refer questions about Pier 41 development to waterfront committee to investigate all relevant points, and for committee to determine advisability of requesting EIR. PASSED.

Resignation of Director: Hugh Douglas stated that

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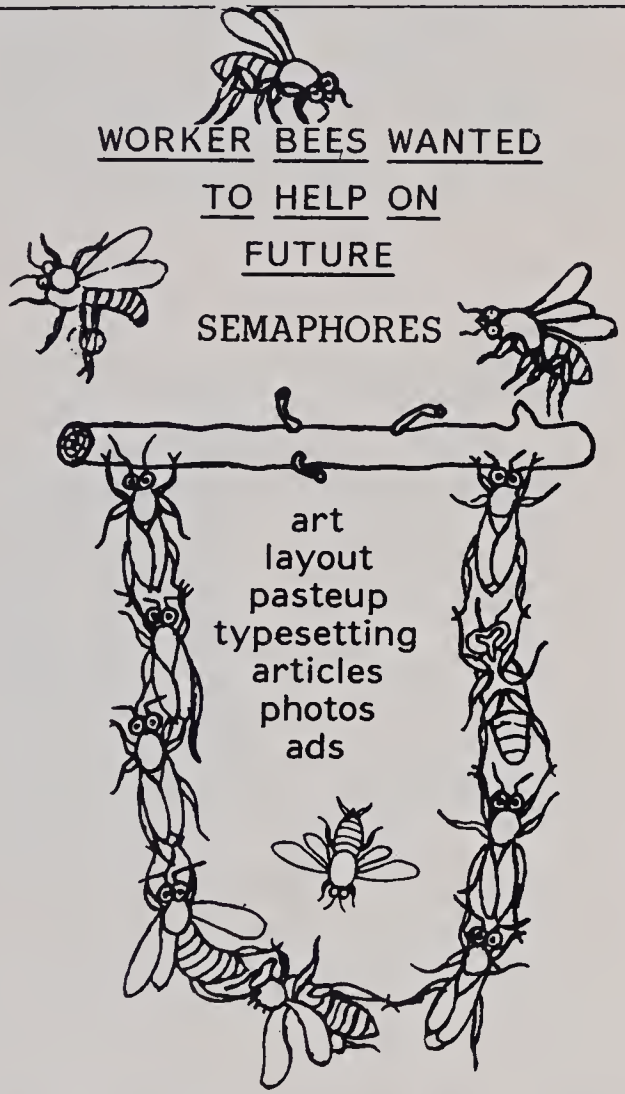

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EDITOR'S NOTE:

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Many thanks to all who responded to our call for help on the Semaphore and for their contributions to this issue.

since he was moving from the Hill he would regretfully resign. Such resignation was regretfully accepted. It was agreed that he would continue to represent us on waste water management committee. Anne stated that since nominating committee was already appointed she would not replace Hugh on board.

MOTION that THD does not oppose tree trimming in the Greenwich St. near Montgomery area, but hopes that owners will also consider planting of trees or shrubs of appropriate height down below. PASSED.

FEBRUARY 13, 1979
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

Guest Speaker: Honorable Dianne Feinstein, Mayor, City and County of San Francisco. Questions and answers followed Mayor Feinstein's address.

Mayor Feinstein will consider someone from our group on the movie committee and invited us to suggest someone to her. Kirkland bus area: She indicated there was better usage of this space than for an additional garage to serve Pier 39.

Port: She prefers use for maritime if possible.

Moratorium: She agrees that time for study of future waterfront development is needed.

Pier 39 Park: She says developer can't do anything right now because lawsuits pending have dried up his sources of funding.

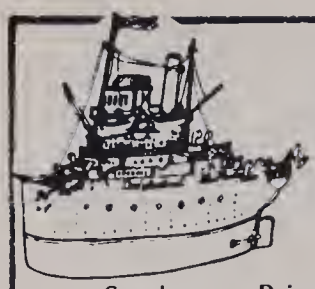
How to make City government work: She says she feels that she can make it work under present city charter. Points she mentioned that she feels will improve government are program budgeting and contracting out city services to private firms whenever possible and cheaper.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

(Nan Roth)

Bad news is that expenses of $4,900 per year exceed income of $3,850. Bank balance is now only $278.78 and members were reminded dues are due April 1, and some may want to add a contribution. A budget committee is still being recruited and volunteers needed.

MOTION that THD support neighbors around UC Med Center in their opposition to proposed hotel and restaurant. PASSED.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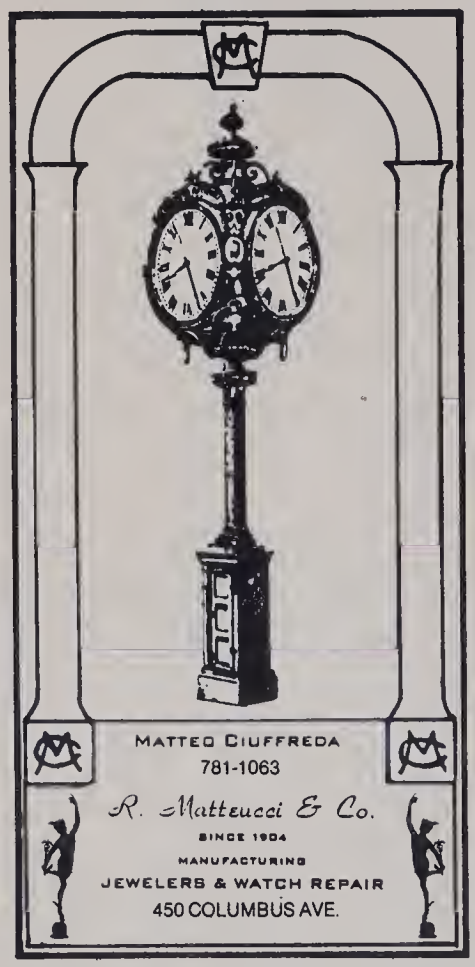
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MARCH 12, 1979 DIRECTORS

MOTION that THD direct President Anne Halsted to remind appropriate officials that the conditional use permit for Pier 39 required a bond to complete the park, and if Simmons is unable to do so, then the bond should be used for that purpose. PASSED.

MOTION that THD will withdraw our support to the Owens appeal and will so inform KPIX of that withdrawal with a letter written by an attorney which outlines the following points:

1. We pursue our objectives of a conditional use permit for future similar construction.
2. Reserve appropriate action if evidence of health hazards becomes apparent.
3. KPIX agrees to the conditions they proposed in the letter to THD, namely, no signs on tower, will remove if new tenant does not require, and no increase over 50'.

passed with two opposed

APRIL 16, DIRECTORS

MOTION that the THD support our Waterfront Committee's efforts to get funding for a park on the Bay side of the proposed relocated Embarcadero at the Inland Development Site south of the Ferry Building, and oppose development until other funding is thoroughly explored. PASSED.

MOTION that the THD oppose the rear yard variance application VZ79.29 EE79.105 for 341-343 Lombard Street. PASSED.

MOTION to send a letter to DPW showing that residents near Coit Tower are discriminated against by the ½ hour parking limit in the Coit Tower lot; thus we ask for the two hour Preferential Parking limit in that lot. PASSED.

MOTION to ask the Mayor to restore full Open Space funds as mandated by the voters in Proposition J. PASSED.

MOTION to support appeal to the preliminary determination of negative impact

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(EIR not required) for Wharfpark I & II, to support the need for an EIR for Wharfpark I & II, and to oppose any application for a variance to the height limit. PASSED.

HELP! HELP! HELP!
NEW THD BYLAWS

Recently the THD revised its bylaws. All members were mailed a copy of the proposed revision which was adopted, but due to lack of funds the new bylaws have not been typeset and printed Until we get the necessary funds we are unable to provide a copy of the revised bylaws to each member. DONATIONS NEEDED - CAN YOU HELP?

Nob Hill Height Limits

THD supported the Nob Hill Neighbors' proposed downzoning which lowers height limits from 320' to 160' and from 80-200' to 50-80'. The Planning Commission approved the downzoning and now the proposal goes to the Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Molinari has declared his active support but other supervisors are less sure. We will continue to help Nob Hill and urge our members to do the same.

opening of the Dr. H. D. Cogswell
(founder of Cogswell College)

100

year time capsule

Torrents of rain greeted the crowd of about 500 who were on time for the start of the program. The parachute covering the renovated Franklin statue was so heavy with rain that we were treated to a half-veiled Franklin, then a semi-veiled Franklin; and then a boy scout to the rescue helped the dignitaries with the actual unveiling, much to the amusement of the onlookers.

The rain let up briefly just as the lead time capsule was opened, allowing Mayor Fainstein and Supervisor Molinari to show us the mementoes. Amid more rain, abbreviated speeches preceded the burying of two new capsules in the ground to the South of the statue.

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1956-57	Kenneth Evers, Raymonde Theill, Melba Bloise, Dennis Flynn
1957-58	Kenneth Evers, John Malloch, Melba Bloise, Dennis Flynn
Note:	From 1954 to 1958 Dorothy Elliott was Assistant Secretary.
1958-59	Dr. Robert A. Major, Harold Simon, Marjorie Brush, Dennis Flynn
1959-60	Harold Simon, Mrs. Sherman Bishop, Marjorie Brush, Dennis Flynn
1960-61	Dennis Flynn, Fred Meyer, Patricia Major, Joseph Bloise
1961-62	Dennis Flynn, Marion Evers, Dorothy Lathrop, Joseph Bloise
1962-63	Bernard Bour, Dorothy Erskine, Sally Rockrise, Joseph Bloise
1963-64	Bernard Bour, Dorothy Erskine, Nancy Katz, Joseph Bloise
1964-65	Morton Rader, Lowell Groves, Nancy Katz, Dennis Flynn
1965-66	Morton Rader, George Raad, Mildred Schroeder, Nancy Katz
1966-67	Goerge Raad, Frieda Klussman, Mildred Schroeder, Nancy Katz
1967-68	George Raad, Robert Katz, Mildred Schroeder, Curtis Baldwin
YEARS:	PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, RECORDING SECREATRY, TREASURER, FINANCIAL SECRETARY, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, HISTORIAN * ("Secretary" became "Recording Secretary" and Financial Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Historian became new offices under the July 1967 revision of the bylaws.)
1968-69	Gerald Cauthen, Allen Lathrop, Mary Droege, Curtis Baldwin, Thomas Hounsley, Anne Davis, Bernard Bour
1969-70	Gerald Cauthen, Allen Lathrop, Jane Schubert, Curtis Baldwin, Thomas Hounsley, Anne Davis, Bernard Bour
1970-71	Curtis Baldwin, W. Dent MacDonough, Jane Schubert, I.D. Blume, Mary Cara, Betty Rader, Marion Evers
1971-72	Curtis Baldwin, I.D. Blume, Jane Schubert, Mildred Hamilton, Mary Cara, Liz Brotherton, Kenneth Evers
1972-73	I.D. Blume, Mary Cara, Olive English, Mildred Hamilton, Joan Naughten, Nora Quinn, Kenneth Evers
1973-74	John Holmes, Greg Jones, Olive English, Liz Brotherton, Joan Naughten, Nora Quinn, Kenneth Evers
1974-75	John Holmes, Gerald Swanstrom, Fritzie Kopetzke, Joan Levin, Joan Naughten, Nora Quinn, Kenneth Evers
1975-76	Robert M. Tibbits, Anne Halsted, Deni Greene, Joan Levin, Joan Naughten, Anna Quillen, Kenneth Evers/Ralph George
1976-77	Robert M. Tibbits, Anne Halsted, Margaret Gwathmey, David Smith/David Broadbear, Frances Wager, Toby Bloxam, Ralph George
1977-78	Anne Halsted, John Holmes, Margaret Gwathmey, David Broadbear, Jane Winslow, Katherine Koelsch, Pat Shean
1978-79	Anne Halsted, Roger Boyer, Jean Bullock, Nan Roth, Jane Winslow, Katherine Koelsch, Pat Shean, John Holmes* (Editor of the Semaphore became a new office under the February 1978 revision of the bylaws.)

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THE DIRECTORS 1954 to 1979 - 25 YEARS

1954-1956	Dorothy Erskine, Nancy Katz, John Malloch, Murray Richards, Harold Simon, Rudolf Schaeffer, Jerome Vandenbergh, Al Blasi, Ed Devencenzi
1955-1957	George Kosmack, Dorothy Erskine, Elmo De Martini, George Rockrise
1956-58	Harold Weise, John Brush/Pat Major, Attilio Massuco, David Myrick, George Dart Tong
1957-59	Harold Goodkind, Jean Wolff, Henry Bohling, Lloyd Demrick
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1959-61	D. Rudolph Dresel, Jack Early, Marion Evers, J.F. Lavagnino, Kenneth Evers
1960-62	Horace Critelow, Charles F. Lester, Raymonde Thiell, Jack Murphy, Allen Lathrop
1961-	Frieda Klussman, Carol Hewitt, Charles Stanyon, Charles Ince, June Critchlow
1962-64	Southall Pfund, Robert Katz, Edmund De Martini, Silvio Catelli, Marjorie Brush
1963-65	Gerry Adams, Marion Evers, Ralph George, W. Dent MacDonough
1964-66	Dr. Rudolph Dreiser, Sally Eccles, Frieda Klussman, Piero Patri, George Raad, Leon Ardroni, Robert Katz
1965-67	Curtis Baldwin, Emily Heron, Mary O'Gara, Patricia Major
1966-68	Robert Katz, Anne Davis, Thomas Creighton, John Schick, Frieda Klussman, Nancy Katz
1967-69	Jane Williams, Tom Cara, Dolores Waaland, Kenneth Evers, George Raad, Sally Eccles
1968-70	Mildred Hamilton, Bob Katz, Frieda Klussman, Morton Rader/ JOhn Harman, John Schick
1969-71	Marion Evers, Jane Dillon, Toby Bloxam, John Coyle
1970-72	Marvin Levin, Allen Lathrop, Edmond De Martini, Dr. William W. Hunter, Adolph M. Koven
1971-72	Fred Kuh, June Coyle, Gerry Lubenow, Bob Ransom
1972-74	Kevin Wallace, Judy Breen, John Holmes/Katherine Koelsch, Nora Quinn, Gary Near
1973-1974	Lena Massuco, Anna Quillen, David Broadbear, Gerry Swanstrom
1974-76	Alberic De Laet, Anne Halsted, Robert Katz, David Smith
1975-77	David Broadbear, Katherine Koelsch, John Schick/Rod Freebairn-Smith, Anne Zaccaria/Roger Boyer
1976-78	Maggie Baylis, Dr. Stanley Burton, Robert Katz, Joan Naughten, Carol Schwartzback
1977-79	Ross Adkins/David Myrick, Richard Lantz/Milton Maybruck, Hugh Douglas, Herb Kosovitz
1979-80	Liz Brotherton, Dr. Stanley Burton, Margaret Gwathmey, Joan Naughten

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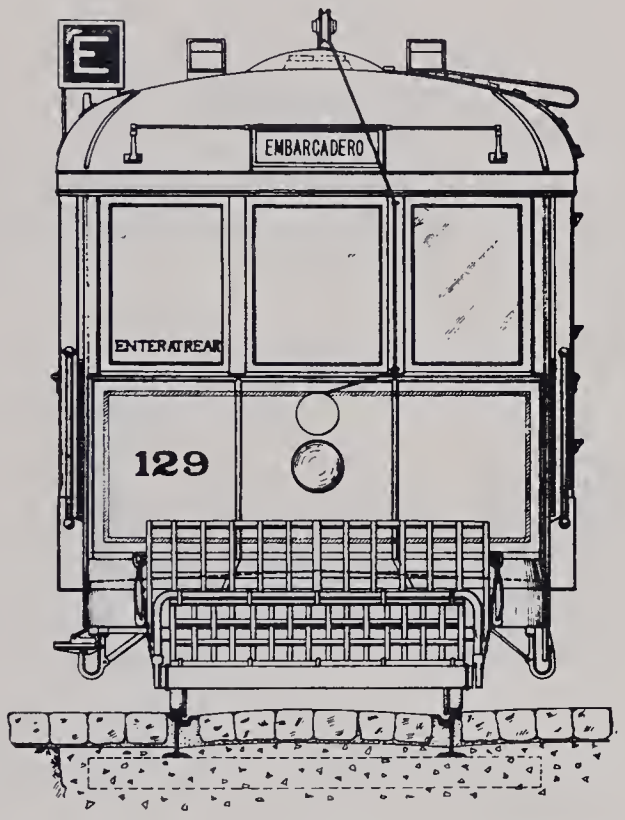


On April 3, 1979 The Public Utilities Commission approved unanimously (with certain amendments) the five-year plan prepared by the Muni planning staff. Originally the plan proposed to split the #39 Coit line into two parts:

1) #39-Coit Tower, Washington Square, Fisherman's Wharf loop.
2) #83-Union & Montgomery, Union, Powell, Pacific, Van Ness.

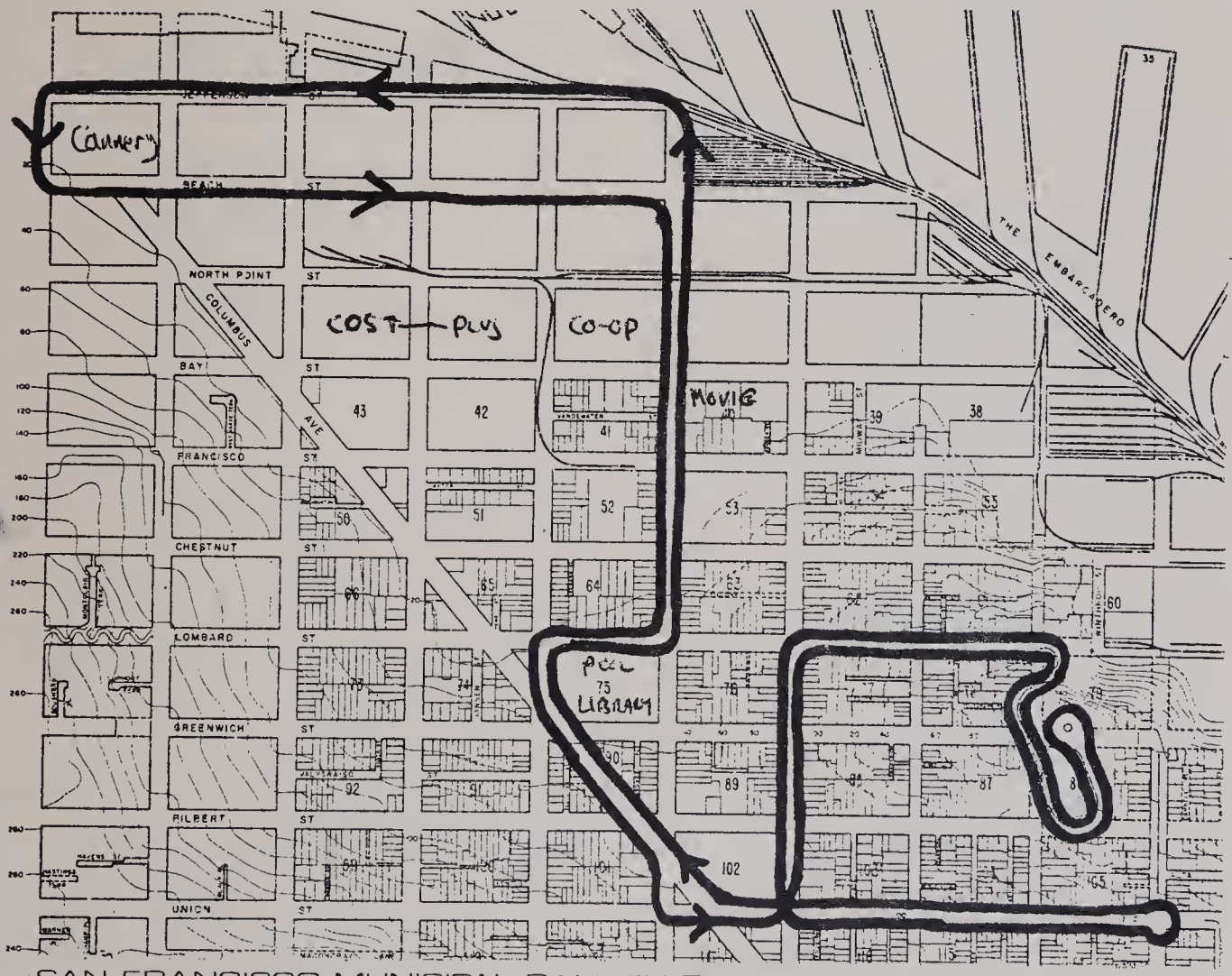
In response to Chinatown T. R. I. P. and the THD requests and to better balance running times on the #83 and #39, among the amendments approved were:

Route 1 - Line No. 39 from Coit Tower via Lombard, Stockton, Union to Montgomery, then via Union, Columbus, Lombard, Powell, Jefferson, Hyde, Beach, Powell, Lombard, Columbus, Washington Square, Stockton Lombard and back to Coit Tower.

Route 2 - Line No. 83 back and forth on Pacific between Van Ness and Kearny

Overall, the five-year plan results in a great improvement city-wide to Muni service using currently budgeted equipment and personnel. Of course the plan cannot please everybody, but over a five year period most points of contention should be ironed out, with the end result a plan that pleases almost everybody. Congratulations to the Muni planning staff for a truly excellent plan and for its response to public input.

Phase I route changes (including the new #39 route) will go into effect this summer. For the #39 line, the Wharf loop extension will mean improved community service to residents of both ends of the Hill, better transfer opportunities, and an alternative to the automobile for tourists going to Coit Tower. More riders will strengthen the line and serve to justify the continued existence of the #39 which has been saved again from extinction, thanks to the efforts of the Muni planning staff and the P.U.C. Most appropriate on the 25th anniversary of the battle to save the #39 bus which resulted in the formation of the Telegraph Hill Dwellers.



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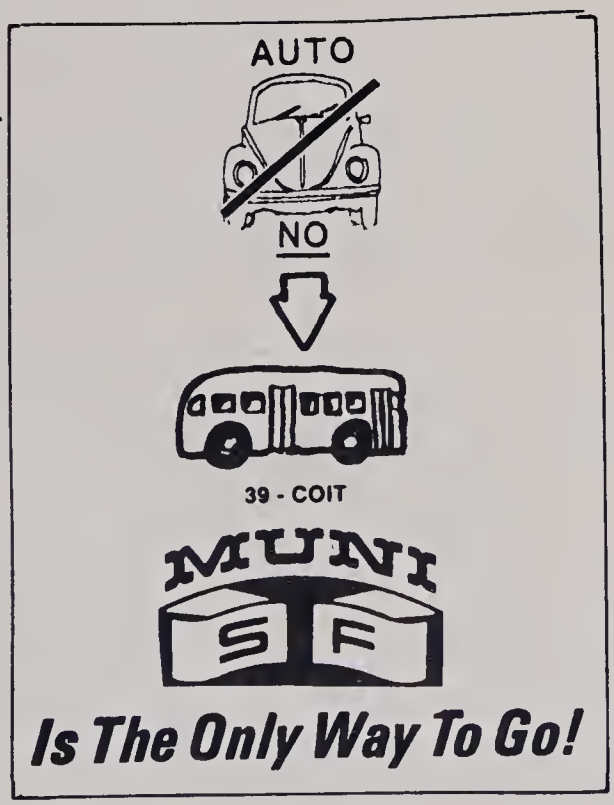
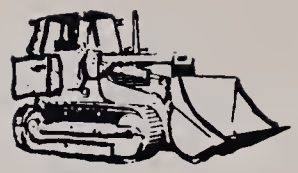


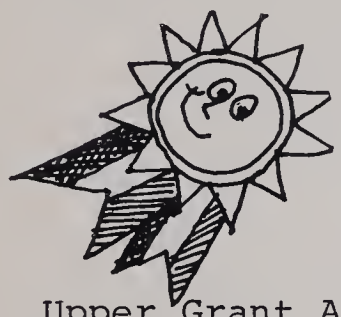


NEW DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

1) Wharf Park I & II, 248 residential units to be developed privately by Pacific Union and BJW Assoc. for elderly and family housing. To be located in the 100 block of Francisco Street, where the Bank of America warehouse is and where the big private parking lot is. The development would be a HUD Section 8 type (rents subsidized to the developer) and would provide the low to moderate income housing sought by City Planning, but not provided in the Levi Plaza development. The developer intends to provide 57 parking stalls for 248 units on the grounds that the elderly will not have cars. City Planning has tentatively determined that an Environmental Impact Report will not be required because there will be no negative impact. THD has appealed that decision and a hearing will be scheduled shortly.

2) Developer Carl Rossi has proposed a 28-unit condc development for the corner of Francisco and Grant. Tentative plans are for large units, 2 to 1 parking with some dedicated to the neighborhood and considerable landscaping. The developer is not contemplating requesting any variances. Plans are still preliminary.

If you are interested in following either of these, phone Nan Roth, 397-2176.

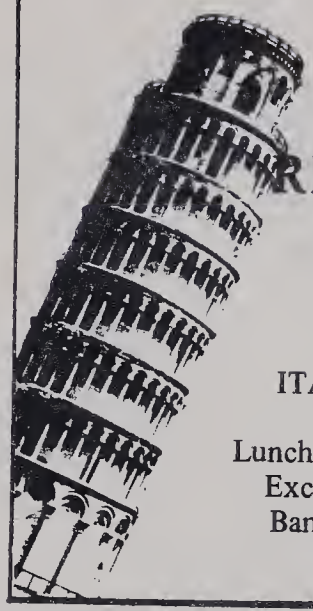


WHAT: Upper Grant Avenue Street Fair

WHEN: Saturday & Sunday June 16 & 17, 1979 from 10am to 6 pm

WHERE: Upper Grant Aveune between Vallejo and Filbert Streets, San Francisco

WHO: 200 artists and craftspeople from all over San Francisco, the Bay Area and California. Plus neighborhood specialty shops, galleries and restaurants.



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The ACTION LINE number is 558-2142. It will be attended from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

Staff will respond to inquiries or put callers in touch with one of the following operations: Street Repair, Street Cleaning, Tree Planting, Sewer Repair, Building Inspection and Traffic Engineering.

Lee stated, "The ACTION LINE program is being established in order to assure that the Department of Public Works is fully and promptly responsive to the needs of the public. I urge everyone in San Francisco who has requests or inquiries relating to DPW services to call 558-2142."

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UPPER GRANT AVENUE TEST

Finally, Grant Avenue (between Union and Green) has TREES, FLOWERS, AND BENCHES for a two month test period during the months of April and May.

And, the installation took place during the week of April 1st. The Grant Avenue Committee apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause you.

But, first the bad news: no parking or stopping in the tow away zone on Grant Avenue between Union and Green during this two month trial period; and then the good news: you can continue to drive through this block.

AND THE BLOCK WILL BE BEAUTIFUL! COME AND ENJOY IT.

P. S. Activities are being planned during the test period and we welcome any ideas you may have. Please feel free to call Jeanne Milligan of the Grant Ave. Committee, 989-0494.

UPPER GRANT AVENUE

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Lost and Found Department

LOST: Rare collection of precious and semi-precious marbles in the vicinity of the 1400 block of Upper Grant Avenue by a small group of Telegraph Hill residents and a smaller group of professionals. Loss of this property, it is said, did not occur overnight as might be supposed but rather over a protracted period of time--a few marbles disappearing one or two from day to day so that their loss was not at once noticed by the owners. Numerous efforts were made by friends and others pointing out that the collection seemed to be diminishing from time to time, but such observations were either rejected outright or proposed as nonsense. Early in April however, tragedy struck with full force when the facts made themselves known to the community at large. A great effort was made on or about April 4 with much scurrying in and out of the newly placed trees on Grant Avenue by numerous eager beaver "ladies" frantically searching for the lost small round objects -- but, to no avail. A final effort to recover the collections seemed to have been made by the Department of Public Works who several days later sent one of their large trucks manned by a crew of at least eight men (not counting their supervisors) who brushed down the street with push brooms and currents of water from the corner hydrants, also to no avail.

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Optimism for these people to recover their collections does not run high in our community at this time, although it is hoped that those in the area that are in full possession of their marbles will prevail.

Editor's Note: In this and in past issues we have printed material from the proponents of the Grant Avenue Project. The above comment represents the opinion of one of the many opponents. If you have any feelings (either pro or con) on the test project, write or phone Supervisor John L. Molinari, Room 235 City Hall, 558-2164 or phone the DPW Hotline, 558-2142.

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North Beach, Telegraph Hill

Historic Celebration

April 21 & 22

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The weekend of April 21-22, 1979 was marked by many interesting features which included: walking tours of Telegraph Hill and North Beach, L.O. Sloan's Black and White Refined Jubilee Minstrels, a floating gallery party, Turk Murphy's Jazz Band at the Fior d'Italia, an ecumenical mass at S. S. Peter and Paul, Donald Pippin's Pocket Opera in the garden of the Spaghetti Factory, and many others. And, of course, the opening of Dr. Cogswell's 1879 100-year time capsule and the planting of a new one in Washington Square by Mayor Dianne Feinstein with Supervisor John Molinari acting as Master of Ceremonies. Among the many honored guests introduced at the ceremony, was THD President Anne Halsted.

The weekend culminated with the Telegraph Hill Dwellers 25th anniversary dinner dance with the Powell Street Jazz Band at the San Francisco Italian Athletic Club.

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Street Fair

The traditional 26th annu upper Grant Avenue street fair will be held on Father's Day weekend, Sat. & Sun., June 16 & 17, 1979. The street fair nestles at the foot of San Francisco's Telegraph Hill on Grant Ave. between Vallejo and Filbert Streets and is open from 10 am to 6 pm. No admission fee. Unique in many respects, the upper Grant Avenue street fair and its activities have received official state and city commendations. The first merchant sponsored art fair in San Francisco, it was started by artists in business on Grant Avenue and it is still directed, selected and nurtured by them, with the active participation of the local community.

Known nationwide for the quality of the artwork displayed and its delightful atmosphere, the street fair will have a full range of media all hand made by the artists who will be present to discuss their work. In addition to the artwork, the many superb restaurants, specialty shops and galleries will be open for refreshment, entertainment.

Ninth Annual North Beach Photographic Art Fair
May 26, 27 & 28, 1979

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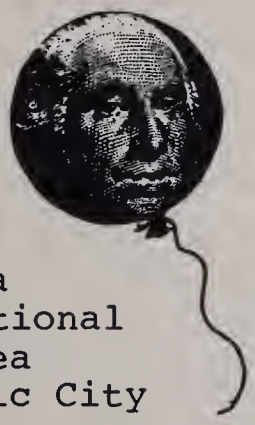

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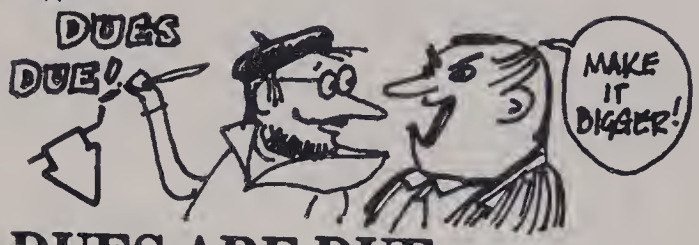

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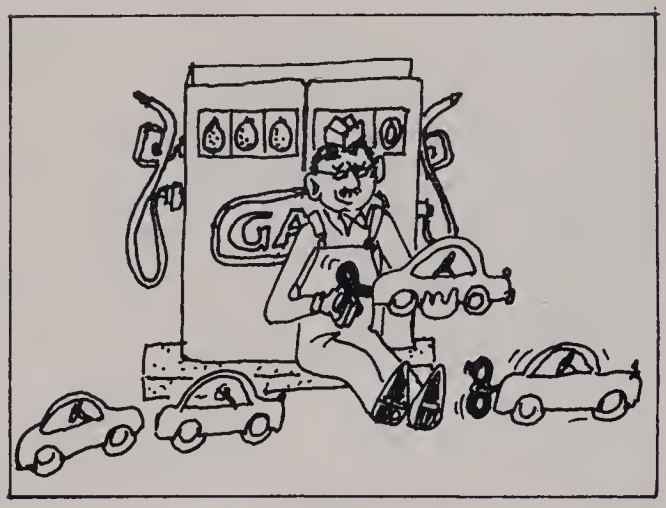

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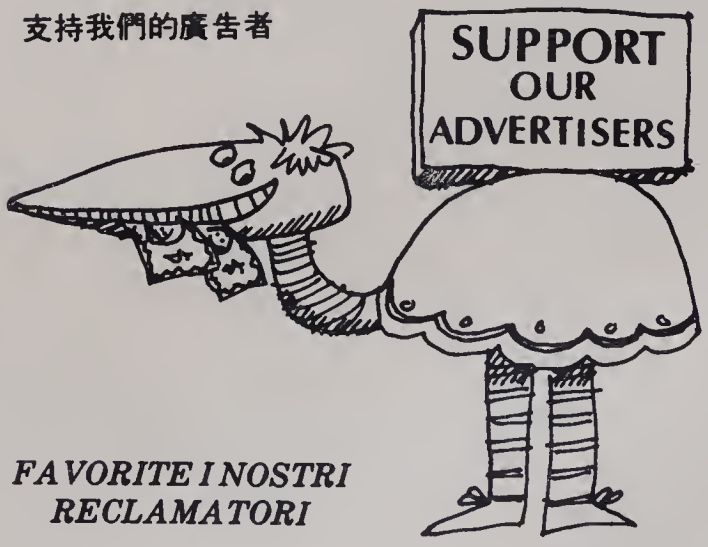

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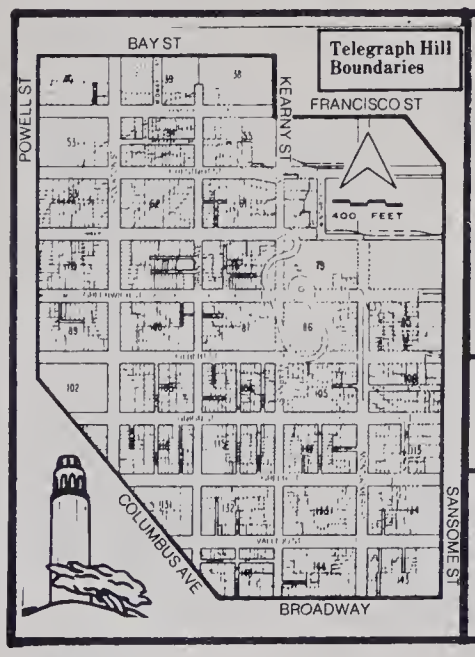

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